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Memorandum for: Deputy Director (Support)

Subject : Stockpiling of Materiel for Cold War Contingencies

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation for concurrence of the Deputy Director (Support). Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 6.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide a common frame of reference for both DD/P and DD/S elements to which procedures and responsibilities in connection with the actual stockpiling of materiel for Cold War Contingencies may be related. It is specifically addressed to the implementation phase, through the Agency Approval System (operational programs and projects), as opposed to the prior planning and programming, which has preceded the approval of the Character and Level Paper.

3. Problem

To establish responsibilities and procedures to insure that adequate materiel, by type, quantity and location, is available to meet Cold War Contingencies.

4. Background

a. Recent operational developments indicate a need to re-define responsibilities and procedures in connection with the development of requirements and the stockpiling of materiel for Cold War Contingencies.

b. Under current DD/P procedures, initial responsibility for generating stockpile materiel requirements has been historically discharged independently by the various area divisions. An inherent weakness of this arrangement is the tendency for requirements to develop spontaneously, necessitating ad hoc

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action rather than forward planning. The procedural gap occurs between the broad generalities of long-range planning and the immediate need for specific materiel in response to a current operational requirement. It is now evident that the responsibility for determining the proper types and levels of materiel to be stockpiled must be centrally discharged, as part of the planning system, if this situation is to be alleviated.

5. Proposal

It is proposed that:

a. The DD/P designate a central authority responsible for:

(1) Establishing the specific materiel requirements for the DD/P, the stockpile level and the contemplated area of use for such materiel to support Cold War Contingencies.

(2) Insuring the inclusion of funds to maintain these stockpile levels, within the existing DD/P programming procedure.

(3) Providing over-all DD/P guidance to the DD/S for the procurement and/or movement of materiel for stockpiling, as required, to maintain the authorized level.

b. The DD/S support the DD/P by:

(1) Providing, upon request, information necessary to carry out these responsibilities.

(2) Procuring and/or relocating assets, in response to over-all guidance from the DD/P.

6. Recommendation

It is recommended that, upon the concurrence of the DD/S in this memorandum:

a. The PP Staff

a. The PP Staff is hereby designated as the principal coordinating agent for the DD/P responsibilities as stated in the proposal.

b. The SSA-DD/S is hereby designated as the principal coordinating agent for the DD/S responsibilities as stated in the proposal.

Deputy Director (Plans)

CONCUR

***** /s/ L. K. White**

Deputy Director (Support)

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